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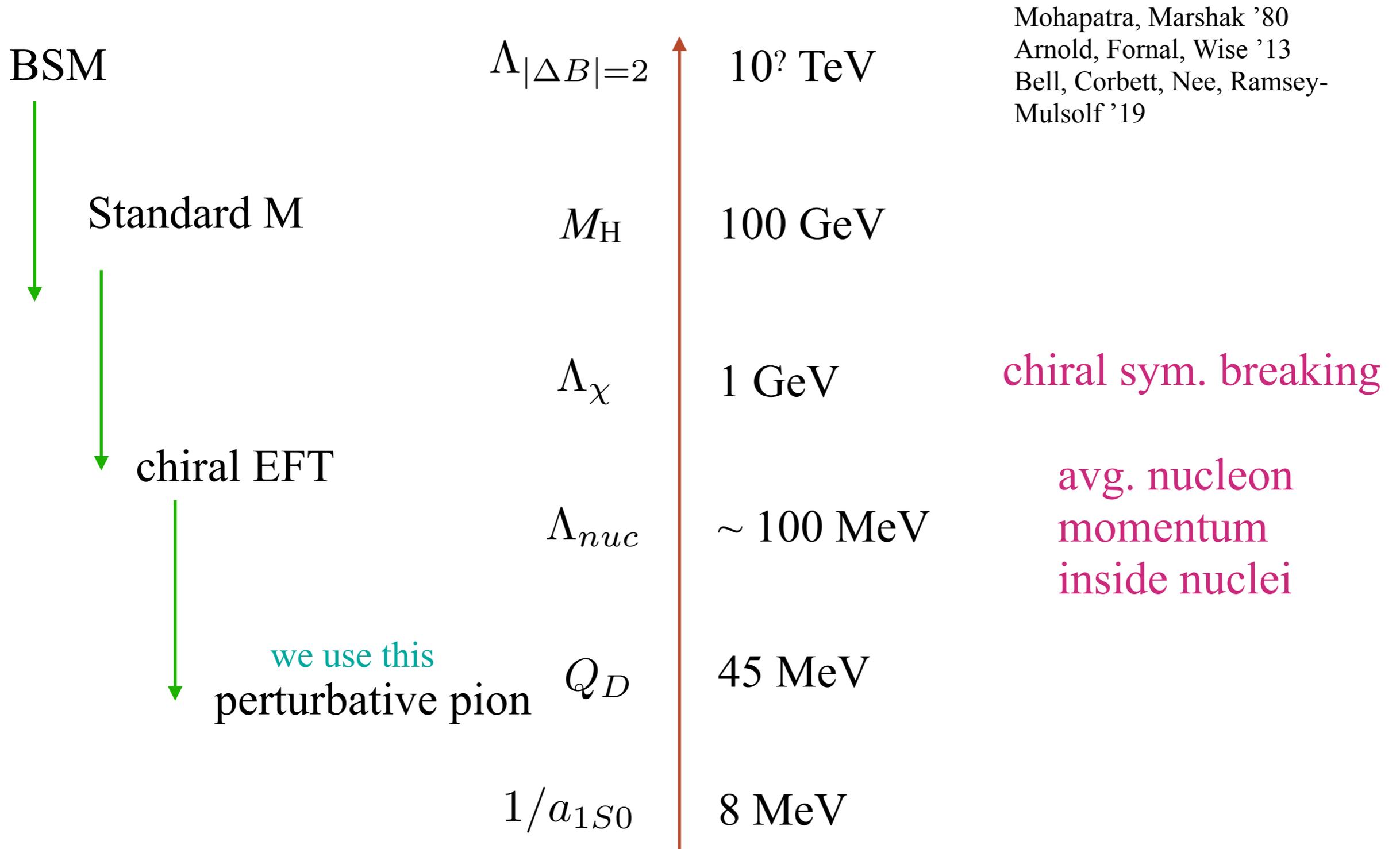
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# $|\Delta B| = 2$ in chiral effective field theory

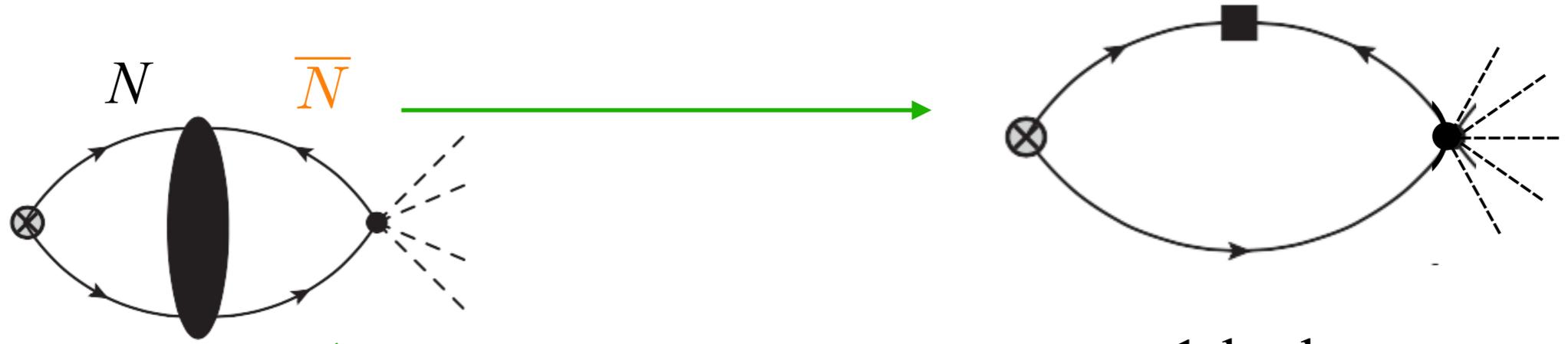
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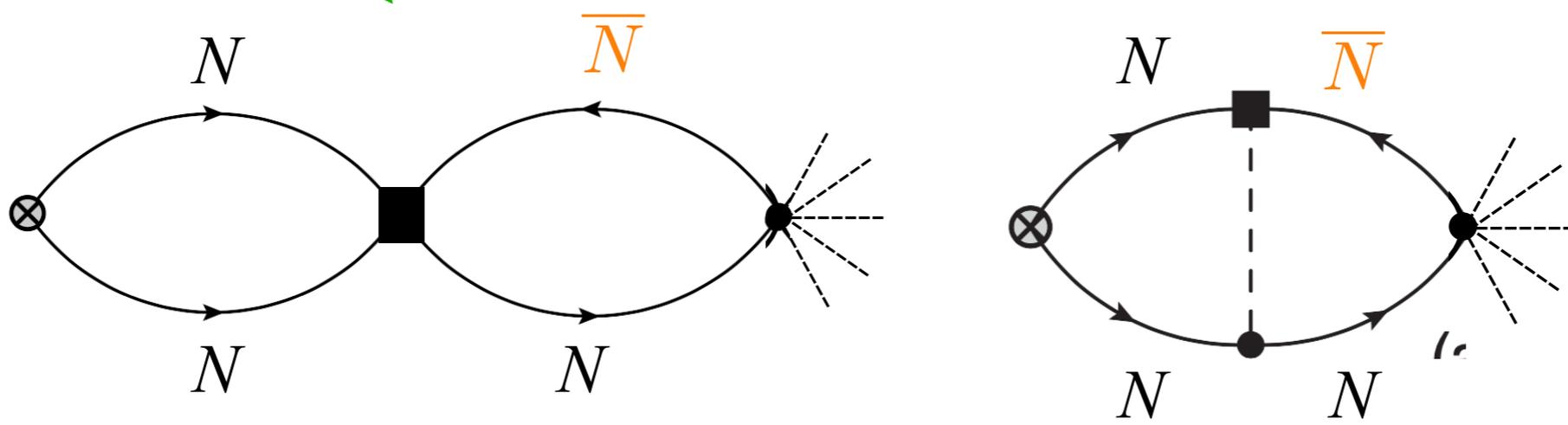
# $|\Delta B| = 2$ nuclear physics



$$NN \rightarrow NNbar$$

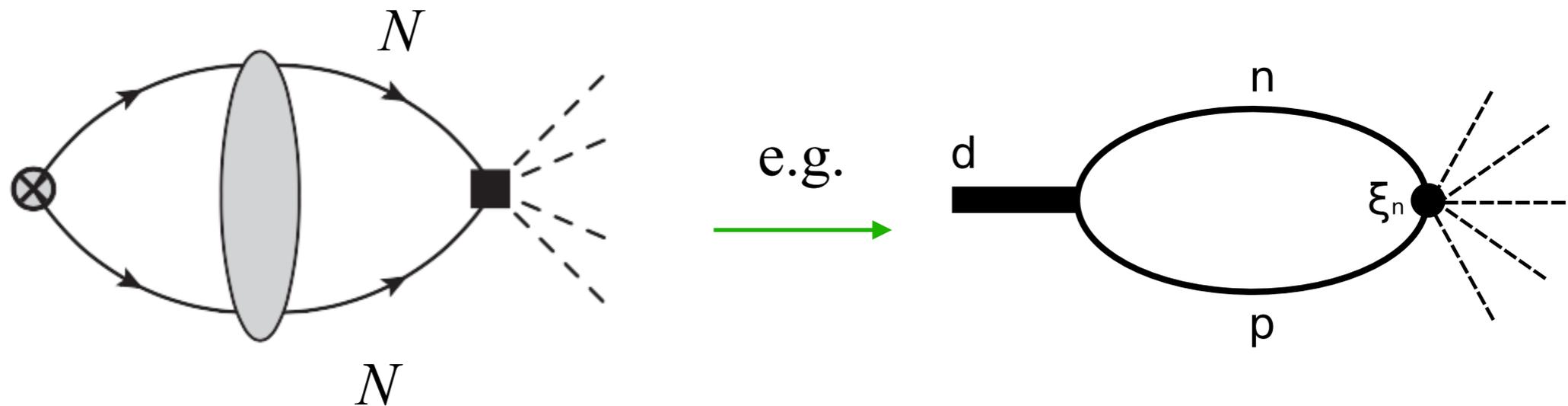


1-body



2-body

# Direct $NN$ annihilation



- To what extent can we disentangle these mechanisms?

# Four Dim-9 operators

- SM gauge invariant  $SU(3)_c \otimes SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_Y$
- 6-quark operators to produce  $|\Delta B| = 2$

Operator	Chiral irrep
$Q_1 \quad -\mathcal{D}_R \mathcal{D}_R \mathcal{D}_R^+ T^{AAS} / 4$	$(\mathbf{1}_L, \mathbf{3}_R)$
$Q_2 \quad -\mathcal{D}_L \mathcal{D}_R \mathcal{D}_R^+ T^{AAS} / 4$	$(\mathbf{1}_L, \mathbf{3}_R)$
$Q_3 \quad -\mathcal{D}_L \mathcal{D}_L \mathcal{D}_R^+ T^{AAS} / 4$	$(\mathbf{1}_L, \mathbf{3}_R)$
$Q_4 \quad -\mathcal{D}_R^{33+} T^{SSS} / 4$	$(\mathbf{1}_L, \mathbf{7}_R)$

Important for building hadronic operators in chiral Lagrangian

Kuo & Love '80  
 Rao & Shrock '82  
 Caswell et al. '83  
 Basecq & Wolfenstein '83  
 Buchoff & Wagman '16

$$\mathcal{D}_{L,R} \equiv q^{iT} C P_{L,R} i\tau^2 q^j, \quad \mathcal{D}_{L,R}^a \equiv q^{iT} C P_{L,R} i\tau^2 \tau^a q^j,$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{L,R}^{abc} \equiv \mathcal{D}_{L,R}^{\{a} \mathcal{D}_{L,R}^b \mathcal{D}_{L,R}^{\}c} - \frac{1}{5} (\delta^{ab} \mathcal{D}_{L,R}^{\{d} \mathcal{D}_{L,R}^d \mathcal{D}_{L,R}^{\}c} + \delta^{ac} \mathcal{D}_{L,R}^{\{d} \mathcal{D}_{L,R}^b \mathcal{D}_{L,R}^{\}d} + \delta^{bc} \mathcal{D}_{L,R}^{\{a} \mathcal{D}_{L,R}^d \mathcal{D}_{L,R}^{\}d}),$$

$$T^{SSS} \equiv \epsilon_{ikm} \epsilon_{jln} + \epsilon_{ikn} \epsilon_{jlm} + \epsilon_{jkm} \epsilon_{iln} + \epsilon_{jkn} \epsilon_{ilm},$$

$$T^{AAS} \equiv \epsilon_{ikm} \epsilon_{jln} + \epsilon_{ikn} \epsilon_{jlm}.$$

# Chiral EFT

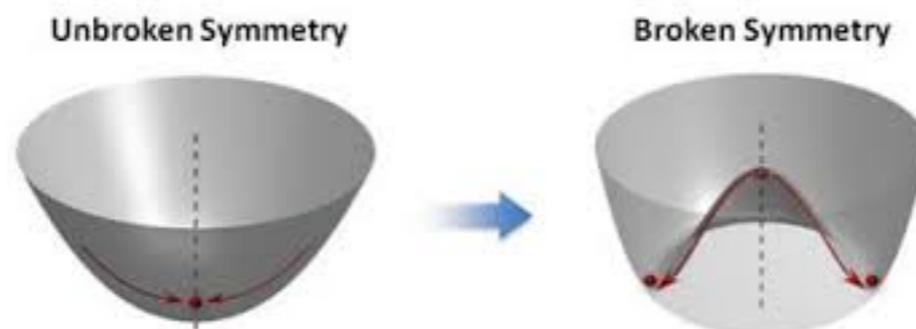
- Includes all symmetries of QCD, especially (approximate) chiral symmetry and its spontaneous breaking

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \sum_{f=u,d,s} \bar{q}_f (i\not{D} - m_f) q_f - \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{G}_{a\mu\nu} \mathcal{G}_a^{\mu\nu}$$

$$q_L \equiv \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \\ s_L \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \left( \text{SU}(3)_L \right) \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \\ s_L \end{pmatrix} \quad q_R \equiv \begin{pmatrix} u_R \\ d_R \\ s_R \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \left( \text{SU}(3)_R \right) \begin{pmatrix} u_R \\ d_R \\ s_R \end{pmatrix}$$

- Only two flavors used in present work

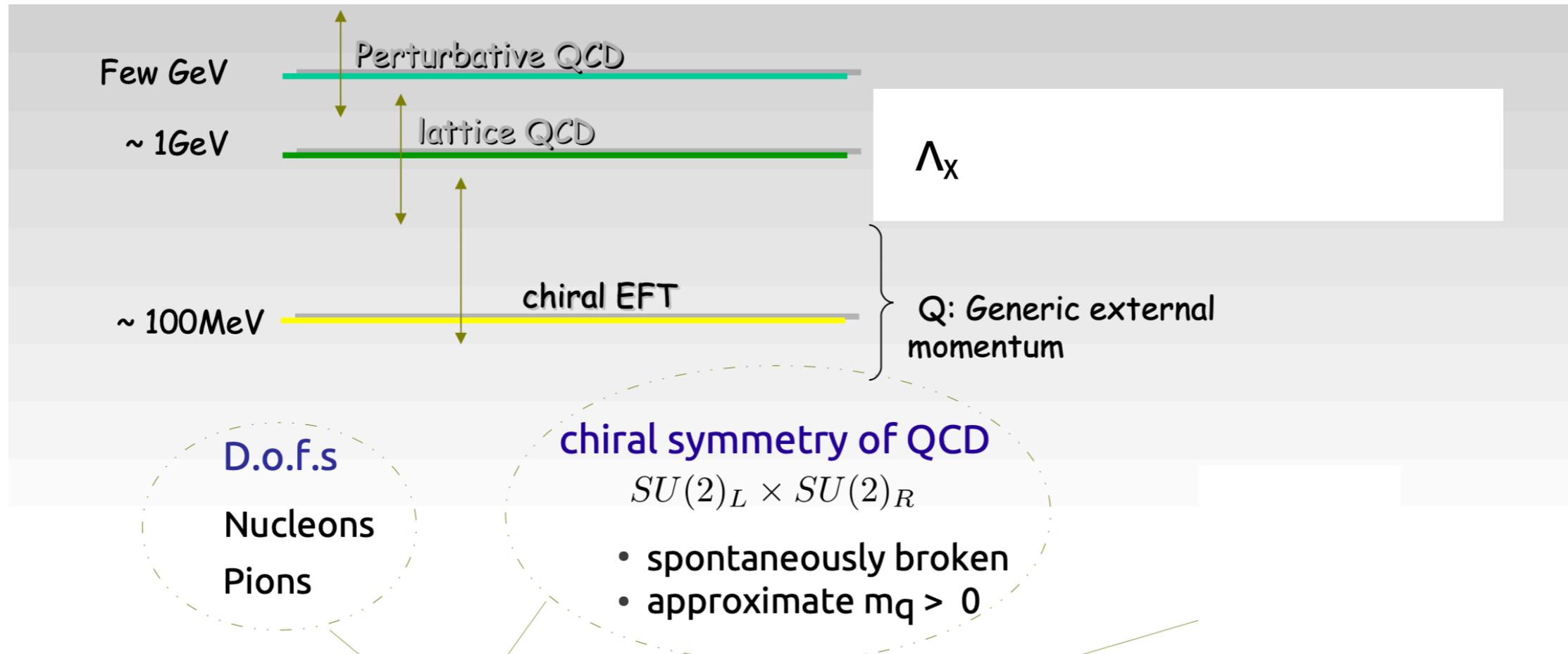
Lagrangian invariant when  $m_f \rightarrow 0$ , but broken by QCD ground state



CCWZ; Weinberg; ...

→ chiral symmetry nonlinearly realized by hadronic Dofs

- Chiral L: a hadronic Lagrangian to respect chiral sym. and its spontaneous breaking



$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}_{\Delta B=0}^{(2)} = & N^\dagger \left( i\partial_0 + \frac{\nabla^2}{2m_N} \right) N + N^{c\dagger} \left( i\partial_0 + \frac{\nabla^2}{2m_N} \right) N^c \\
 & + \frac{g_A}{F_\pi} (N^\dagger \sigma_k \tau^a N + N^{c\dagger} \sigma_k \tau^{aT} N^c) \nabla_k \pi^a \\
 & - \frac{1}{2} \pi^a (\partial^2 + m_\pi^2) \pi^a + \dots,
 \end{aligned}$$

$N$ : nucleon  
 $N^c$ : anti-nucleon  
 $\pi$ : pion

# Goal

- Low-energy approximation of QCD, expansion in  $Q/M_{hi}$   
 $Q$ :(small momenta),  $M_{hi} \sim 1\text{GeV}$

$$\mathcal{M} = \sum_n \left( \frac{Q}{M_{hi}} \right)^n \mathcal{F}_n \left( \frac{Q}{M_{lo}} \right)$$

$Q$ : generic external momenta,  
 $M_{hi} = \Lambda_{SB}, m_\rho, \dots \sim 1\text{GeV}$   
 $M_{lo} = m_\pi, f_\pi \sim 100\text{MeV}$

Systematic approximation

→ able to estimate theoretical errors

# Power of counting

Q: generic external momenta

pion propagator  $\sim \frac{1}{Q^2}$

pi-pi vertex  $\sim \frac{Q^2}{f_\pi^2}$

$\int d^4l \sim \frac{Q^4}{16\pi^2}$



actual cal. =  $\frac{Q^2}{f_\pi^2} \frac{\#Q^2}{16\pi^2 f_\pi^2} \ln\left(\frac{Q}{\mu}\right) + \frac{Q^4}{16\pi^2 f_\pi^4} \ln\left(\frac{\mu}{\Lambda}\right) + CQ^4$

dim. analysis

$\frac{Q^2}{f_\pi^2} \frac{Q^2}{(4\pi f_\pi)^2}$

Dim. analysis captures long-range phys (non-analytic in Q) very well

Imposing naturalness  $\rightarrow$  counterterms and logs contribute about the same

$\frac{Q^2}{f_\pi^2} \frac{\#Q^2}{16\pi^2 f_\pi^2} \ln\left(\frac{Q}{\mu}\right) \simeq \frac{Q^4}{16\pi^2 f_\pi^4} \ln\left(\frac{\mu}{\Lambda}\right) + CQ^4 \quad C \sim \frac{1}{f_\pi^2 (4\pi f_\pi)^2}$

# How to count size of LECs?

24 contacts  
in naive dim.  
analysis up to  $Q^4$

$Q^0$

$Q^2$

$Q^3$

$Q^4$

2N force



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# Renormalization group invariance

- In practice, UV cutoff  $\Lambda$  or ren. scale  $\mu$  independence

$$C \rightarrow C(\Lambda)e^{-\frac{p'^2+p^2}{\Lambda^2}}$$

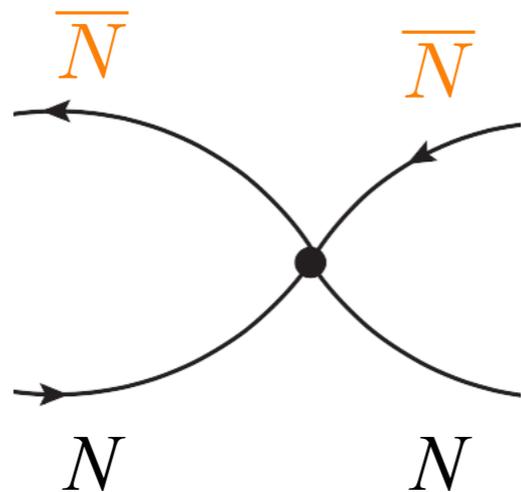
- Start with a power counting by NDA
- If it provides enough short-range LECs to absorb UV div, then it is acceptable
- Used to show three-body force is leading order in pionless EFT (Bedaque, Hammer & van Kolck '99 & '00)

# One more trick

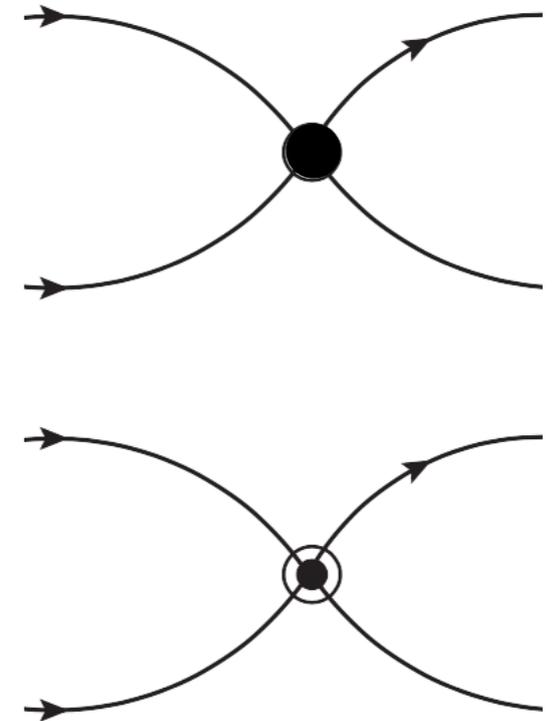
- $NN\bar{}$  annihilation releases 2GeV kinetic energy, way beyond chiral EFT break down scale
- To get around, calculate deuteron life time by imaginary part of deuteron self energy
- hard pions integrated out as intermediate states

# More Lagrangian terms

$$\mathcal{L}_{\Delta B=0}^{(4)} = -(\mathcal{C}_0 + D_2 m_\pi^2) (N^T P_i N)^\dagger (N^T P_i N) + \frac{\mathcal{C}_2}{8} [(N^T P_i N)^\dagger (N^T P_i (\vec{\nabla} - \overleftarrow{\nabla})^2 N) + \text{H.c.}] - H_0 (N^{cT} \tau^2 Y_i^a N)^\dagger (N^{cT} \tau^2 Y_i^a N) + \dots,$$



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# $|\Delta B| = 2$ terms

(For LQCD calculation on delta m, Rinaldi et al. '18 & '19)

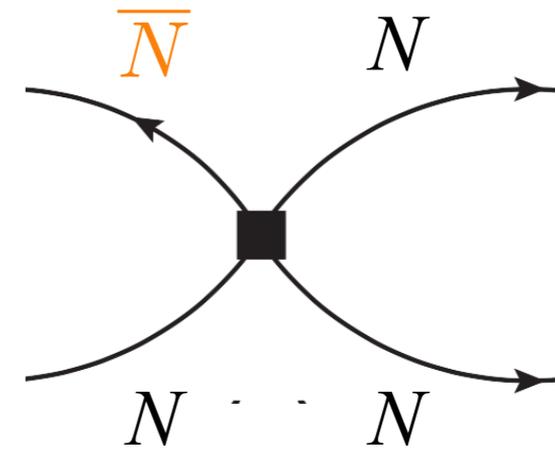
$$\mathcal{L}_{|\Delta B|=2}^{(2)} = -\delta m n^{c\dagger} n + \text{H.c.} + \dots,$$

$$\tau_{n\bar{n}} = (\delta m)^{-1} [1 + \mathcal{O}(m_\pi^2/\Lambda_\chi^2)]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{|\Delta B|=2}^{(4)} = i\tilde{B}_0 [(N^T P_i N)^\dagger (N^{cT} \tau^2 Y_i^- N) - \text{H.c.}] + \dots,$$

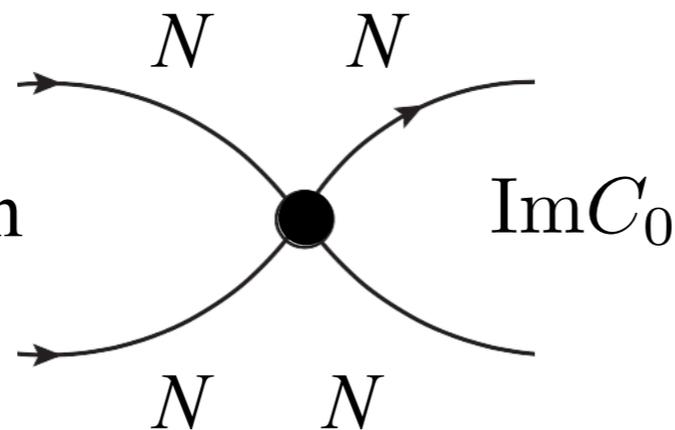


$n\bar{n}$  oscillation

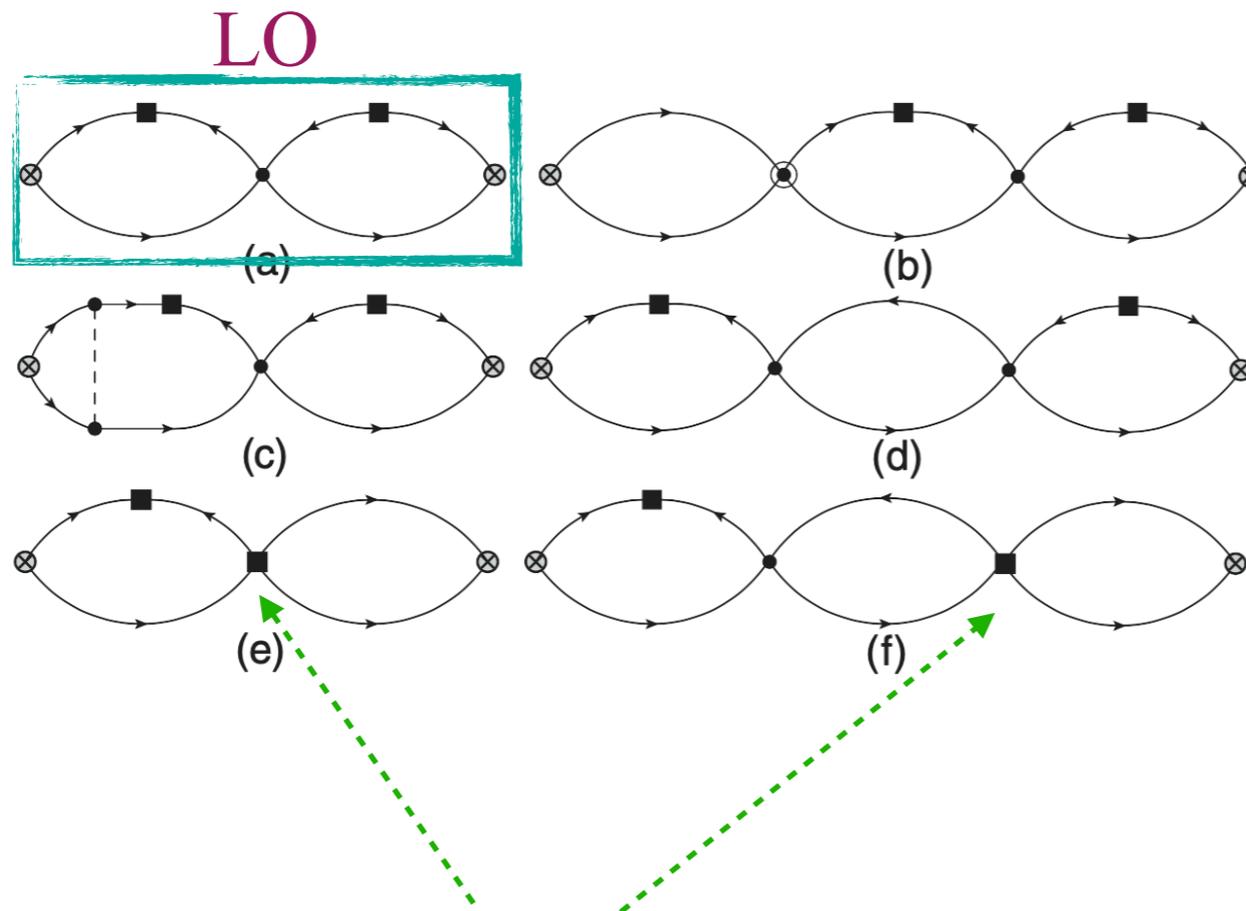


$NN \leftrightarrow N\bar{N}$  interactions

NN direct annihilation



# Deuteron self energy up to NLO



Perturbative pion  
counting rule  
(Kaplan, Savage & Wise  
PLB 424, 390 (98))

expansion parameter

$$\rightarrow \frac{\kappa_d}{F_\pi} \simeq 0.24$$

$\kappa_d$  : deuteron binding  
momentum  $\sim 45$  MeV

- By RG analysis,  $NN \rightarrow NN\bar{n}$  appears at NLO  $\rightarrow \tilde{B}_0$
- Range correction of  $NN$  interaction (B-conserving)
- $NN\bar{n}$  interaction parametrized by (anti-n p) scattering length  
 $a_{n\bar{p}} = (0.44 - i 0.96)$  fm (Zhou & Timmermans '12 & '13)

# Finally...

$$R_d \equiv \Gamma_d^{-1} / \tau_{n\bar{n}}^2$$

$$R_d = - \left[ \frac{m_N}{\kappa} \text{Im} a_{\bar{n}p} \left( 1 + \overset{NN \text{ range}}{0.40} + \overset{\text{Re}(a_{\bar{n}p})}{0.20} - \overset{\text{pion}}{0.13} \pm \overset{NN \leftrightarrow N\bar{N} \text{ w/ unknown } B_0}{0.4} \right) \right]^{-1}$$
$$= (1.1 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{22} \text{ s}^{-1}.$$

- Perturbative pion allows for analytic expression
- Loosely bound neutron helps sensitivity (nuclei with neutron halo?)
- $B_0$  gives largest uncertainty
- W/ nonperturbative pion EFT, unknown LECs may have smaller impact